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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

GANGFENG CAI  
TA YEN CHING  
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Serial No.: 09/664,993

Filed: September 18, 2000

For: OXYGEN SCAVENGERS WITH  
REDUCED OXIDATION PRODUCTS  
FOR USE IN RIGID BEVERAGE AND  
FOOD CONTAINERS

Group Art Unit: 1772

Examiner: Sandra M. Nolan

Attorney Docket: 2039.006100/RFE

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO  
FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 13, 2002

MAIL STOP RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
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June 13, 2003

Cynde Meinhart

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of three months to and including June 13, 2003, in which to respond to the final Office Action dated

December 13, 2002.

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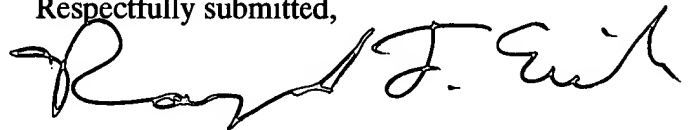
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a check in the amount of \$930 is enclosed, which is the process fee for a three-month extension of time.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Raymund F. Eich". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Raymund" being more prominent.

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